TH MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AMD PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S. R . BALASUBRA-MONTYAN): (a) No, S]r.

lb) and (o) Do not arise.

**Promotion of compu'tr software industry in Orissa**

2486. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Steps have been taken by Government to promote computer software industry m the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that adequate - tops have not been taken to promoted computer software industry in Orissa;

to if so. the reasoas therefbr.

(J) whether there is a vast scope to promote computer software industry in that State; and

iei it *w,* ttie possibilities explored jn that regard?

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**Production of electronic goods**

2487. SHRI SANIAY NIRUPAM: SHRI MUKESH R. PATEL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that productk in the electronic industry during U Eighth Five Year Plan has been beiot the targets;

tb) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor.

(c) whether Government have any pit tor increasing the production of electa nic goods; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S. R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In the terminal year 1996-97 of VIII Five Year Plan, the total electronics production was Rs. 26,640 crores as against Eighth Plan target of Rs. 36,000 crores. This represented 74 per cent of targets and the electronic industry achieved cumulative growth of 20 per cent in production. During VIII Plan there has been a mixed performance in different sectors with Consumer Electronic and Communication and Broadcasting Equipment growing more rapidly than other hardware Sector. The Software sector exceeded what was targetted.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The Working Group on Electronic Industry set up for IX Plan by the Planning Commission has set a goal of electronics production of Rs. 138,350 crores for the terminal year of the IX Plan (2001-02) representing a growth rate of about 37 per cent. In order to achieve the said production